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FM AMCONSUL WINNIPEG

TO AMEMBASSY OTTAWA IMMEDIATE

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AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

AMCONSUL TORONTO

UNCLAS WINNIPEG 332

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EMIN, EINV, CA

SUBJECT: SASKATCHEWAN BUYS DUVAL POTASH MINE

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B - WINNIPEG 326

1. ALTHOUGH EMBASSY AND DEPARTMENT BY NOW CERTAINLY HAVE SEEN GLOBE AND MAIL AND WIRE SERVICE REPORTS ABOUT PURCHASE OF DUVAL POTASH MINE BY GOVERNMENT OF SASKATCHEWAN ON AUGUST 12, OFFICIAL PPRESS RELEASE FROM GOS BEING TRANSMITTED IN FULL BY SEPTTEL SINCE IT ANSWERS MOST QUESTIONS THAT ARISE.

2. POST CONTACTED JACK KINZEL OF SASKATCHEWAN POTASH SECRETARIAT WHO DID NOT WISH TO GO BEYOND CONTENTS OF RELEASE.

3. FYI: IN VIEW OF MY TRIP TO REGINA AUGUST 23 - 24, WOULD APPRECIATE ANY QUIDANCE EMBASSY OR DEPARTMENT CAN PROVIDE ON STATE OF PLAY REGARDING QUOTE SUPPLY ASSURANCE UNQUOTE WHICH WAS RAISED  
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WITH AMBASSADOR BY GOS ON JULY 13 (SEE WINNIPEG 247 NOTEL).

ON THIS SCORE MR KINZEL INDICATED THAT GOS PROBABLY WOULD NOT HAVE MUCH TO SAY SINCE IT IS UNCERTAIN AS TO WHAT IS THE APPROPRIATE FORUM FOR ANY FURTHER DISCUSSIONS ON THIS SUBJECT. GOS OBVIOUSLY SENSITIVE TO FEDERAL CONTEXT WHICH ARISES IN A MATTER OF THIS TYPE.

4. ALSO SPOKE WITH GEORGE ATWOOD, PRESIDENT, DUVAL, WHO, IN ADDITION TO COMMENTS IN PRESS RELEASE, INDICATED THAT DUVAL HAS BEEN AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE INVOLVED WITH LITIGATION AGAINST THE GOS UNTIL CLOSURE ON OCTOBER 29 AFTER WHICH IT WILL REMOVE ITSELF FROM THIS ACTION. OTHER COMMENTS BY HIM FOLLOW BY SEPTEL. HUTSON

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